

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 5, line 13 with the following:

Further, the program-distributable combination weighing apparatus of the present invention is capable of receiving the control program using a packet data protocol ~~selected from the group consisting of~~ for example, TCP/IP, IPX/SPX, NetBEUI, NetBIOS, and AppleTalk™.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 7, line 17 with the following:

Furthermore, between the combination weighing apparatus and the ~~[[server]]~~ server computer in the system ~~of the present invention~~ in accordance with the current disclosure, the control program can be transmitted/received using a protocol selected from any number of public and proprietary packet data protocols, for example, the group consisting of TCP/IP, IPX/SPX, NetBEUI, NetBIOS, and AppleTalk™. The use of these protocols enables communication via a widely used communication medium such as the Internet.